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I'm always  
alone.



Kids like  
me don't  
really fit in  
anywhere.



Just like  
in that old  
fairy tale...

The ugly duckling  
was all alone.

chiho



mika chihio



You

can just  
follow me.

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I promise

I won't  
ever leave  
you, Chihio





# My Duckling

水谷フーカ



HEY,  
MOM!

WANT TO  
GO SHOPPING  
WITH US?

SORRY

I PROMISED  
TO GO  
HOME WITH  
DAD

SA,  
MOM-SAN,  
SISTY?

MOM'S  
TODDLE-  
SISTY?

YOU  
PROM?

SA'S A  
SOP  
CLASSES

AND A  
LUNCH-  
BACK

SA, AND  
MOM'S TURN

MOM,  
NEVER  
HEARD  
OF ME!

SA'S  
ONLY TALKS  
TO MOM







has always  
belonged to  
me alone.











THEY'RE  
TAKING AN  
ADVANTAGE OF MY  
SHORT LITTLE  
CONE.

IT'S SO  
PUNISH IF I  
LET THEM HAVE  
AN ADVANTAGE  
OF ME!

It's time to  
teach the  
festival  
committee

a lesson  
they won't  
soon forget!!!





We replaced  
these thick glasses  
with contacts,

picked loose  
clothes to hide  
how skinny  
she is,



and used  
concealer to  
make her  
freckles less  
noticeable.





KEEP  
HEARTY  
NOW...



HUUUUH

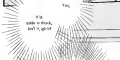
WHO IS  
THAT?

MAN...



THAT'S  
GODLY  
TENSE-  
LESS!

HOW DO  
YOU LIKE  
THAT?



Yes

It is  
quite a shock,  
but it is, girl!



The "guy  
dancing" -

What's that  
dancing?  
That's the  
"guy dancing" -



and spread  
its wings .

has turned  
into a swan



It's my  
fault

that Chiba  
could never  
spread her wings  
before.

Maybe



When reality,  
I just wanted  
to keep her  
with me...



I was so  
full of myself.  
I thought I  
was helping her  
along.



But it's  
time

I let  
her go.





THIS MAY  
COME AS A  
SURPRISE—  
OR MAYBE  
NOT!—

QUATYER

QUATYER

BUT THE  
TOP PICK IS

SACHELORETTE  
NUMBER 3:  
TYNARIE CHAO-  
SAN!

QUATYER

1967





UH-OH.

YOU  
DON'T LIKE  
ANY OF  
THEM?

I DIDN'T  
THINK YOU'D  
BE SO  
PICKY.

Ahahahah!

Ahahahahahaha!

HAAA,  
WE'RE IN  
A BIND  
HERE.

THE  
RULES  
SAY

THAT  
YOU HAVE  
TO PICK  
ONE.

THE  
GAMES TO  
A REAL  
JUDGE!

C'MON,  
CHUCK.

YOU CAN  
DO IT!





MIKE-  
CHUNG

?!!



YOU  
CAN'T JUST  
COME ON-  
STAGE ..

GLARE

!!!

top model



TO THE  
LIKES OF  
YOU!!!

I'M NOT  
GIVING  
CHIHO

SKREEEECH





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I'm really

sorry about this.

I shouldn't  
be doing this.



Not after I  
finally managed  
to let go of  
her hand...



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SORRY



THAT'S WHY  
I FORGOT  
THE ANSWER.

BECAUSE I  
KNEW I HAD  
TO GO TO  
STAND ON MY  
OWN TWO

HEY

IT'S  
NOTHING  
BUT A LITTLE  
DANCE

TO YOU





CHAO...

BUT I'M  
SORRY.

I'M SORRY

I CALLED  
OUT TO YOU  
LIKE THAT.

I WANT GO

GOA...





WHA-  
!!??

I'VE REALIZED  
THAT I MIGHT  
HAVE BEEN  
HOLDING YOU  
BACK

ALL  
ALONG.

OH-HO...



BUT I  
COULDN'T  
DO IT

SO I TRIED TO  
LET YOU GO, TAKE  
ON YOUR OWN.  
I WAS JUST  
GOING TO CHASE  
YOU ON FROM  
THE SIDELINE...



YOU  
WERE

COOL...

OH,  
WAS  
IT

HEH...

I WAS  
SO ANNOY!

THAT I  
RUSHED  
RIGHT IN



WE'LL BE  
TOGETHER  
FOREVER.





OVER  
HERE--

TANABE-  
SAAAA!!

I  
TOLD YOU,  
CHIHO IS  
MINE!

STOP  
BUGGING  
HER!

Chiho and  
I are always  
together,

and  
we always  
will be  
Forever.

It looks great,  
but it needs a place  
where we'll be being  
together.

Let's find a  
place where we can  
be together!

# My duckling

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